

(b) Except as provided in § 1.356-6T, for purposes of this section, a right to acquire stock that is treated as a security for purposes of section 354 or 355 has no principal amount. Thus, such right is not other property when received in a transaction to which section 356 applies (regardless of whether securities are surrendered in the exchange). This paragraph (b) applies to transactions occurring on or after March 9, 1998.

(c) In the examples in this paragraph (c), stock means common stock and *warrants* means rights to acquire common stock. The following examples illustrate the rules of paragraph (a) of this section:

Example 1. A, an individual, exchanged 100 shares of stock for 100 shares of stock and a security in the principal amount of \$1,000 with a fair market value of \$990. The amount of \$990 is treated as "other property."

Example 2. B, an individual, exchanged 100 shares of stock and a security in the principal amount of \$1,000 for 300 shares of stock and a security in the principal amount of \$1,500. The security had a fair market value on the date of receipt of \$1,575. The fair market value of the excess principal amount, or \$525, is treated as "other property."

Example 3. C, an individual, exchanged a security in the principal amount of \$1,000 for 100 shares of stock and a security in the principal amount of \$900. No part of the security received is treated as "other property."

Example 4. D, an individual, exchanged a security in the principal amount of \$1,000 for 100 shares of stock and a security in the principal amount of \$1,200 with a fair market value of \$1,100. The fair market value of the excess principal amount, or \$183.33, is treated as "other property."

Example 5. E, an individual, exchanged a security in the principal amount of \$1,000 for another security in the principal amount of \$1,200 with a fair market value of \$1,080. The fair market value of the excess principal amount, or \$180, is treated as "other property."

Example 6. F, an individual, exchanged a security in the principal amount of \$1,000 for two different securities each in the principal amount of \$750. One of the securities had a fair market value of \$750, the other had a fair market value of \$600. One-third of the fair market value of each security (\$250 and \$200) is treated as "other property."

Example 7. G, an individual, exchanged stock for stock and a warrant. The warrant had no principal amount. Thus, G received no excess principal amount within the meaning of section 356(d).

Example 8. H, an individual, exchanged a warrant for stock and a warrant. The warrants had no principal amount. Thus, H received no excess principal amount within the meaning of section 356(d).

Example 9. I, an individual, exchanged a warrant for stock and a debt security. The warrant had no principal amount. The debt security had a \$100 principal amount. I received \$100 of excess principal amount within the meaning of section 356(d).

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§ 1.356-4 Exchanges for section 306 stock.

If, in a transaction to which section 356 is applicable, other property or money is received in exchange for section 306 stock, an amount equal to the fair market value of the property plus the money, if any, shall be treated as a distribution of property to which section 301 is applicable. The determination of whether section 306 stock is surrendered for other property (including money) is a question of fact to be decided under all of the circumstances of each case. Ordinarily, the other property (including money) received will first be treated as received in exchange for any section 306 stock owned by a shareholder prior to such transaction. For example, if a shareholder who owns a share of common stock (having a basis to him of \$100) and a share of preferred stock which is section 306 stock (having a basis to him of \$100) surrenders both shares in a transaction to which section 356 is applicable for one share of common stock having a fair market value of \$80 and one \$100 bond having a fair market value of \$100, the bond will be deemed received in exchange for the section 306 stock and it will be treated as a distribution to which section 301 is applicable to the extent of its entire fair market value (\$100).

§ 1.356-5 Transactions involving gift or compensation.

With respect to transactions described in sections 354, 355, or 356, but which—

(a) Result in a gift, see section 2501 and following, and the regulations pertaining thereto, or

(b) Have the effect of the payment of compensation, see section 61(a)(1), and the regulations pertaining thereto.

§ 1.356-6T Rules for treatment of non-qualified preferred stock as “other property” (temporary).

(a) *In general.* For purposes of §§ 1.354-1(e), 1.355-1(c), and 1.356-3(b), the terms *stock* and *securities* do not include—

(1) Nonqualified preferred stock, as defined in section 351(g)(2), received in exchange for (or in a distribution with respect to) stock, or a right to acquire stock, other than nonqualified preferred stock; or

(2) A right to acquire such non-qualified preferred stock, received in exchange for (or in a distribution with respect to) stock, or a right to acquire stock, other than nonqualified preferred stock.

(b) *Exceptions.* The following exceptions apply:

(1) *Certain recapitalizations.* Paragraph (a) of this section does not apply in the case of a recapitalization under section 368(a)(1)(E) of a family-owned corporation as described in section 354(a)(2)(C)(ii)(II).

(2) *Transition rule.* Paragraph (a) of this section does not apply to a transaction described in section 1014(f)(2) of the Taxpayer Relief Act of 1997 (111 Stat. 921).

(c) *Effective date.* This section applies to nonqualified preferred stock, or a right to acquire such stock, received in connection with a transaction occurring on or after March 9, 1998.

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§ 1.357-1 Assumption of liability.

(a) *General rule.* Section 357(a) does not affect the rule that liabilities assumed are to be taken into account for the purpose of computing the amount of gain or loss realized under section 1001 upon an exchange. Section 357(a) provides, subject to the exceptions and limitations specified in section 357 (b) and (c), that—

(1) Liabilities assumed are not to be treated as “other property or money” for the purpose of determining the amount of realized gain which is to be recognized under section 351, 361, 371, or 374, if the transactions would, but for the receipt of “other property or

money” have been exchanges of the type described in any one of such sections; and

(2) If the only type of consideration received by the transferor in addition to that permitted to be received by section 351, 361, 371, or 374, consists of an assumption of liabilities, the transaction, if otherwise qualified, will be deemed to be within the provisions of section 351, 361, 371, or 374.

(b) *Application of general rule.* The application of paragraph (a) of this section may be illustrated by the following example:

Example. A, an individual, transfers to a controlled corporation property with an adjusted basis of \$10,000 in exchange for stock of the corporation with a fair market value of \$8,000, \$3,000 cash, and the assumption by the corporation of indebtedness of A amounting to \$4,000. A's gain is \$5,000, computed as follows:

Stock received, fair market value	\$8,000
Cash received	3,000
Liability assumed by transferee	4,000
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Total consideration received	15,000
Less: Adjusted basis of property transferred	10,000
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Gain realized	5,000

Assuming that the exchange falls within section 351 as a transaction in which the gain to be recognized is limited to “other property or money” received, the gain recognized to A will be limited to the \$3,000 cash received, since, under the general rule of section 357(a), the assumption of the \$4,000 liability does not constitute “other property.”

(c) *Tax avoidance purpose.* The benefits of section 357(a) do not extend to any exchange involving an assumption of liabilities where it appears that the principal purpose of the taxpayer with respect to such assumption was to avoid Federal income tax on the exchange, or, if not such purpose, was not a bona fide business purpose. In such cases, the total amount of liabilities assumed or acquired pursuant to such exchange (and not merely a particular liability with respect to which the tax avoidance purpose existed) shall, for the purpose of determining the amount of gain to be recognized upon the exchange in which the liabilities are assumed or acquired, be treated as money received by the taxpayer upon the exchange. Thus, if in the example set forth in paragraph (b) of this section,